

## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Office of Intergovernmental Relations Office of Grants and Special Projects

Date July 10, 2003

To Community Development Committee

Referral to Ways and Means Committee

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Recommendation: The City Council endorse one Livable Communities
Demonstration Account (LCDA) Development Grant from the Hennepin County
Housing and Redevelopment Authority in the amount of \$1,200,000. The City
Council is support of and receptive to this project as a part of Hennepin County
Lowry Corridor redevelopment.

## **Previous Directives**

June 6, 2003, the Council directed staff to submit LCDA applications from Minneapolis projects and to priority rank them.

Presenters in Committee Carol Lezotte, Larry Blackstad-Hennepin County Transit and Community Works
Financial Impact (Check those that apply)
X No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
Action requires use of contingency or reserves Other financial impact (Explain):
Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact (use any categories that apply)

Neighborhood Notification City Goals Comprehensive Plan Zoning Code Other

## **Background/Supporting Information Attached**

On June 30, 2003, the Hennepin County Housing and Redevelopment Authority submitted a Livable Communities Demonstration Account Development Grant requesting \$1,200,000 to assist in site assembly of the first redevelopment block along Lowry Avenue. This first redevelopment block lies between 4<sup>th</sup> and 6th Streets and Lowry and 31st Avenues in North Minneapolis. The plan calls for the replacement of the existing housing units on this block with 60 new townhomes. This area is included in the County's Lowry Avenue Corridor Project.

The Metropolitan Council has asked that the Minneapolis City Council show that it is support of and receptive Hennepin County proposed project in order for it to be considered for an award.